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## RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, The Waxahachie High School Cherokee Charmers precision dance and drill team earned great distinction with its 2 outstanding performances over the course of the 2020-2021 school 3 4 year; and 5 WHEREAS, Since the establishment of the group nearly six decades ago, the Waxahachie Cherokee Charmers have been admired for 6 7 their dedication, discipline, and strong work ethic; the team performs at football and basketball games, pep rallies, civic 8 9 events, and competitions, and the members are engaged in community service work and are active in a number of school organizations; and 10 11 WHEREAS, The Cherokee Charmers collected multiple Officer 12 and Elite Team accolades as well as Gussie Nell Davis Awards of Excellence in each of their four competition events; they began 13 with a successful showing at the DFW Dance Championship and brought 14 home the Elite Team and Medium Division championship trophies from 15 16 both the Galveston Island Festival and the Metroplex Dance Spectacular; the team ended its year at the 2021 American 17 Dance/Drill Team Nationals in Arlington on March 27, winning the 18 Medium Division Officer Hip-Hop and Elite Team Division Pom crowns; 19 20 and 21 WHEREAS, Excelling with a true team effort, the Charmers were led by officer and captain Ellinor Bearden and officers Victoria 22 23 Borders, Emma Moses, Alexis Burchfield, and Somer Clark, with

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valuable contributions being provided by the other members of the

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- 1 roster: Kendalyn Harrison, Alicia Lacy, Chantelle Lemons, Destinee
- 2 Lowens, Cecilia Montelongo, Paris Hendricks, Tracy Jordan, Sadi
- 3 O'Barr, Loida Perez, Hayleigh Ruiz, Amy Ceron, Sieana Coger, Emma
- 4 Davis, Elaina Garcia, Keziah Hanna, Shanyia Johnson, Mackenzie
- 5 Mills, Lavender Patterson, Hannah Ridgway, Celeste Rivera,
- 6 Bayleigh Zeis, Janyce Brians, Avianna Castillo, Madeleine Dunn,
- 7 Taylor Lister, Alexia Pruitt, Lauryen Seay, Victoria Slate, Jakera
- 8 Steele, and Cidney Velazquez; these talented performers were ably
- 9 guided by director Erica Pointer-Wilcox and assistant director
- 10 Jessica Ramirez; and
- 11 WHEREAS, Through hard work and an unwavering resolve to give
- 12 their very best, the Waxahachie Cherokee Charmers have earned the
- 13 admiration of their fellow students and their many community
- 14 supporters, and they may indeed reflect with pride on their
- 15 memorable accomplishments; now, therefore, be it
- RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 87th Texas
- 17 Legislature hereby congratulate the Waxahachie High School
- 18 Cherokee Charmers precision dance and drill team on its exceptional
- 19 performances throughout the 2020-2021 school year and extend to all
- 20 those associated with the team sincere best wishes for continued
- 21 success; and, be it further
- 22 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 23 prepared for the team as an expression of high regard by the Texas
- 24 House of Representatives.